

CAPITAL PROJECTS CRITERIA

All of the criteria, except for “Project Readiness,” apply to the Overall Project, of which the Submitted Project may be one phase/component, or may be the Overall Project.

1) **COUNTYWIDE PRIORITY**

- a) If Bike: Highest priority for High Priority Projects and Transit-Priority Zone projects in the Alameda Countywide Bicycle Plan (ACBP), and next priority for feasibility studies for projects on the Financially Constrained Network in the ACBP.
- b) If Pedestrian: All projects identified in the Pedestrian Plan have equal priority. For the Bay Trail, highest priority is for construction of the trail spine, and next is for the trail connectors.
- c) **EBRPD Projects** that are identified in the ACBP will be given additional priority.

2) **DEMAND**

- a) Serves a high volume of existing or potential bicyclists/pedestrians.

3) **SAFETY**

- a) Project will improve safety of pedestrians and/or bicyclists. Priority will be given to projects/programs that directly address demonstrated safety needs.

4) **GAP CLOSURE**

- a) Eliminates a gap or overcomes an obstacle in a bicycle or pedestrian facility, thereby allowing more convenient and safer travel.

5) **ACCESS to Areas of Countywide Significance**

- a) Access to Transit (**Intermodal Connection**)
 - ◆ Improves access to transit stop/station (provides direct, convenient routes).
 - ◆ Makes safety improvements in access routes to stop/station.
 - ◆ Adds core infrastructure at stop/station (bike parking, pedestrian-level lighting, etc.).
 - ◆ If bike: Improves facilities for carrying bicycles on transit.
- b) Access to Activity Centers – schools, health care facilities, shopping centers, parks, commercial districts, downtowns, major public venues, government buildings, etc.
 - ◆ Improves access to activity centers (provides direct, convenient routes).
 - ◆ Makes safety improvements in access routes to activity centers.
 - ◆ If bike: Bike parking at activity center.
 - ◆ Priority given to activity centers with countywide significance.
- c) Access to Regional Connectors
 - ◆ Improves access to bridges (provides direct, convenient routes).
 - ◆ Makes safety improvements in access routes to bridges.